JoAnn Browning, FACI, Associate Dean of Administration and Professor of civil engineering in the School of Engineering at the University of Kansas (KU), Lawrence, KS, has been named Dean and David and Jennifer Spencer Distinguished Chair of The University of Texas at San Antonio College of Engineering, San Antonio, TX. Browning received her bachelor’s and master’s degrees in civil engineering from the University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, and her PhD in civil engineering from Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. She joined the faculty at KU as Assistant Professor in 1998, earning tenure in 2004, and Professor in 2010. Her research interests include structural and earthquake engineering, engineering materials, and reinforced concrete design and analysis. She received the ACI Young Member Award for Professional Achievement in 2008 and was named an ACI Fellow in 2009. She is a member of several ACI committees.

Kimberly Corwin was promoted to President & Chief Executive Officer at A.H. Harris & Sons. She has more than 25 years of experience in the concrete construction industry. Corwin joined A.H. Harris in 2003 as Business Development Manager. She is currently President on the Tilt-up Concrete Association’s (TCA) Board of Directors and serves on the TCA Promotions Committee and Global Associates Forum. Corwin is also active in the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute, serving on the Marketing and Government Affairs committees.

Honors and Awards
Matthew Offenberg, FACI, Southeast Regional Manager at W.R. Grace and Co., is a recipient of the 2014 ASTM International President’s Leadership Award. The award recognizes individuals early in their ASTM career who have significantly advanced the Society’s mission through accomplishment, example, and vision. He joined ASTM in 2007, and serves on Committees C01, Cement, and C09, Concrete and Concrete Aggregates. As Chairman of Subcommittee C09.49, Pervious Concrete, he has worked to advance the global application of ASTM pervious concrete standards. Offenberg is also a past recipient of the ASTM C09 Katharine and Bryant Mather Member Contribution Award. He received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in civil engineering from Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. He is a member of ACI Committees 130, Sustainability of Concrete; 330, Concrete Parking Lots and Site Paving; and 522, Pervious Concrete; and ACI Subcommittees 130B, Production/Transport/Construction, and 130E, Design/Specifications/ Codes/Regulations.

The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) elevated ACI member Larry Whaley, President of Cardno Haynes Whaley, to the level of Fellow. Whaley was recognized for his contributions at the annual ASCE Outstanding Projects and Leaders Gala in Arlington, VA. He received his BS in civil engineering from the University of Kentucky (UK), Lexington, KY, and his MS in civil engineering from Rice University, Houston, TX. In 1976, he became a founding partner in the firm Gentry Haynes and Whaley, later becoming Haynes Whaley Associates. In October 2013, Haynes Whaley Associates merged with international engineering firm Cardno to provide structural engineering services. In 2012, the UK College of Engineering inducted Whaley as the 100th member of its Hall of Distinction. He joined ASCE in 1966, when he joined the Student Chapter at UK, became a professional member in 1971, and was granted Life Membership in 2011.

ASCE awarded the 2014 J. James R. Croes Medal to ACI member Dan Frangopol, the Fazlur Rahman Khan Endowed Chair of Structural Engineering and Architecture and a Professor in the department of civil and environmental engineering of Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA, and his PhD advisees Sunyong Kim and Mohamed Soliman. The research team won for their work on the paper, “Generalized Probabilistic Framework for Optimum Inspection and Maintenance Planning,” which appeared in the March 2013 edition of the Journal of Structural Engineering. The Croes Medal is one of the two most prestigious awards given by ASCE to one of more than 7000 papers published in all of its 34 journals between July 1, 2012, and June 30, 2013. Kim is a Senior Researcher in the Central Research Institute of Korea Hydro & Nuclear Power Co., Ltd., South Korea. Soliman is completing his dissertation work in Lehigh’s structural engineering PhD program. The 2014 award earns Frangopol his second Croes Medal. He is a member of Joint ACI-ASCE Committee 343, Concrete Bridge Design; and ACI Committees 348, Structural Reliability and Safety, and S803, Faculty Network Coordinating.